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Inventor(s): Douglas Croeni

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Examiner: Cesar B. Paula

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SUBJECT: PAGE LAYOUT DESIGN USING GEOMETRIC INTERFERENCE
SCHEMA

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated February 2, 2005, Applicant makes
the following remarks and respectfully requests reconsideration:

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 20 are extant in the case.

Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being
unpatentable over USPN 6,640,010 B2 (Seeger). Examiner has rejected claims 3
through 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Seeger in view of
USPN 5,634,094 (Ueda). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejections and
requests reconsideration.